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§5–3A–29.

- (a) Any adult may petition a court for an adoption under this subtitle.
- (b) A petitioner may petition for adoption of a child 180 days or more after a child placement agency places the child with the petitioner.
- (c) (1) If a petitioner under this section is married, the petitioner's spouse shall join in the petition unless the spouse:
 - (i) is separated from the petitioner under a circumstance that gives the petitioner a ground for annulment or divorce; or
 - (ii) is not competent to join in the petition.
- (2) If the marital status of a petitioner changes before entry of a final order, the petitioner shall amend the petition accordingly.

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